


Hey. It's me.



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LOCATION: Harpy's couch storm of the century (tho the century b young)

MOOD: 🥶 cold

MUSIC: T. making tea and the kettle whistling.

I didn't really expect to be gone that long. It just kind of got away from me. Sorry about that.

Totally snowed in. Fortunately, with friends. Lucky to have power here at Casa  **trollcatz** (<https://trollcatz.livejournal.com/>), where we are *still* shoveling out and the snow is six or seven bunnies high.

Not enough Polartec in the world. Also, Harpy is trying to make me watch Lady Gaga videos, for reasons I don't really understand.

Found a cool thing on my friends list, though.

Embrace Life - always wear your seat belt



It's sort of a brilliant short film masquerading as a seat belt PSA.

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 beccastareyes

February 7 2010, 17:05:51 UTC COLLAPSE

There is something deeply ironic to the fact DC is snowed in and here I sit in upstate New York, and we got flurries only.

I kind of want a snow day, even if I know it'll just mean 'log into the university servers from my apartment and continue work'.




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February 7 2010, 17:09:55 UTC COLLAPSE

You have plows there too, I understand.

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February 7 2010, 17:09:09 UTC COLLAPSE

Hey, thanks.



 hawkwing-lb

February 7 2010, 17:09:38 UTC COLLAPSE

Welcome back, stranger.




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February 7 2010, 17:10:09 UTC COLLAPSE

Thanks.

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[February 7 2010, 17:14:44 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

You too, ma'am.


 [txanne](#)

[February 7 2010, 17:14:19 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

I didn't leave my pen in the bathroom. On the other hand, I live alone.

I'm glad you're snowed in with good company.



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[February 7 2010, 17:15:20 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Me too, but given the snowpocalypse I decided it was smart to make sure there were other mammals around to eat if it lasted more than a week.

 [txanne](#)

[February 7 2010, 17:19:49 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Heh. That works best if there's a gas stove in the newly-remodeled kitchen. Raw mammal is kinda yucky.

 [jennygadget](#)

[February 8 2010, 09:17:30 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

O.o Please tell me that you do not have your eyes on the bunny.

You know that's not nearly enough for young lad such as yourself. :p

 [almightychrissy](#)

[February 7 2010, 17:15:20 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

I think Lady Gaga has stopped being a pop singer and turned into some kind of mind-sucking performance art, because the most unexpected people keep trying to convince me that she is the most incredible thing since....

...I don't know. What is the most incredible thing since sliced bread to people who make their own?




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[February 7 2010, 17:15:56 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

I think it's more trainwreck fascination in this case. I hope.

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[February 7 2010, 17:18:02 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

Hey, you too.



[fidelioscabinet](#)

[February 7 2010, 17:18:17 UTC](#)

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I'm glad that you're able to do Snowmageddon with friends--it's always better that way. Also, while I'm sorry you are having so much of it, I have to admit I'd rather you have it than we do.

I trust the Vermont Connection has come through on the maple syrup supply in time for this disaster.



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[February 7 2010, 17:20:36 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

There's a fifty-gallon drum in the basement.



[fidelioscabinet](#)

[February 7 2010, 21:02:52 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

So you're ready for ham baked with maple syrup tomorrow and for Pancake Tuesday. And maple-walnut baked goods.

I wonder how maple syrup is instead of sugar in hot chocolate? Look, old son, if time is hanging heavily upon your hands...you could investigate and report back when you have a reasonable sample, and let us know. It's in the public interest, after all.



[txanne](#)

[February 8 2010, 01:02:36 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

I can tell you that it's good, but the subtlety is hidden by the daaaaaaarkness of the chocolate. (I'm given to understand, however, that some people might not use chocolate so dark that photons can't escape it.) A shot of amaretto works a treat, though.



[jennygadget](#)

[February 8 2010, 09:12:38 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

(I'm given to understand, however, that some people might not use chocolate so dark that photons can't escape it.)

wimps



[bunny_m](#)

[February 8 2010, 10:26:14 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

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Philistines!



[edschweppe](#)

[February 7 2010, 17:27:39 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

Welcome back!

And if Polartec isn't cutting it, it's time to go for the down parka. I've got a huge one that I can't wear in the car once the heater kicks in, because it's so effective.



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[February 7 2010, 17:30:22 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

Yes, but I live in a normally civilized climate! Okay, semi-civilized.

...okay, it's warm enough for three months out of the year.



[edschweppe](#)

[February 7 2010, 17:48:10 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

Down parka, man. I'm telling ya. Either that or get reassigned to the Honolulu Field Office.

Even there, a down parka is good. When I was stationed at Pearl Harbor, I'd see the kamaaina wearing big fat down parkas on what I'd consider a nice cool night (mid to upper 60s F, no wind).



[cjtremlett](#)

[February 7 2010, 17:30:05 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

Ditto what everyone else is saying about missing you and being glad you're back!

Also, I want a snowpocolypse! I've been seeing everyone's pictures of beautiful snow all weekend. And this winter in Michigan has just been blah. Snowpocolypse in good company sounds marvelous!



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[February 7 2010, 17:30:42 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

You can have mine! Will ship!



[artemishi](#)

[February 7 2010, 19:25:36 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

Seattle cordially requests a share of the snowpacolypse, preferably for two days only. Thank you. :)




[rekre8](#)

[February 8 2010, 07:14:55 UTC](#)

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I've been in Seattle during their version of a snowpocolypse. People abandon their cars on the interstate, without even getting them off on the shoulder. No one owns a useful shovel. The town

does not have near enough snowplows. Two days is too long.

 [moraglee](#)

[February 8 2010, 08:51:36 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Seattle had a snowpocalypse last year and is perfectly fine, thanks. Don't listen to her.


Welcome back! You've been missed.

 [artemishi](#)

[February 8 2010, 17:05:57 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)


Yes, and this year we're making up for it with no snow. :(

Really, I'd just like to get out of work for two days, and to be able to play in the white stuff. (I missed the Seattle snowpocalypse entirely last year, you see)

 [colomon](#)

[February 7 2010, 19:53:10 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

NPR is reporting 7 inches of snow for Tuesday, which gives me hope for some cross-country skiing this year. But I don't trust their weather forecasters in the least.

 [jenavira](#)

[February 7 2010, 21:59:46 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Me too! I'm terribly jealous of the snowpocalypse. We haven't had one since December, and no real snow since then. I want another snow day before spring!

 [saoba](#)

[February 7 2010, 17:56:37 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Snowpocalypse is best served with hot beverages!

There's this point, for me, partway through a major snow or ice event when I go from thinking oooh pretty! and kinda nifty, like a snow day for grownups! to will you freakin' knock it OFF already!

Sadly I hit that point in a matter of hours and these kind of things can last for days.

Plus plus and also- hey. Good to see you.



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[February 7 2010, 19:53:19 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Good to see you too!


 [beatriceeagle](#)

[February 7 2010, 18:15:50 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Snowpocalypses are pretty fun at college, even if no one has a snow shovel and I nearly killed myself walking down the outdoor stairs.

Stay warm. Stay en-hot-chocolated. And stay awesome.



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[February 7 2010, 19:52:35 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Hey, you too!

 [glinda_w](#)

[February 7 2010, 18:21:26 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Good to see you back! (I made shoggoth crumpets a couple of months ago... unbelievably good. Must make more soonish...)



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[February 7 2010, 19:54:06 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

ooo! Crumpets!

 [glinda_w](#)

[February 9 2010, 10:07:51 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

They seem to go perfectly with butter and apple/rosehip jelly...

 [batwrangler](#)

[February 7 2010, 19:11:50 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Yay, glad you're back! And pleasantly snowed in. I'm kinda of envious about the snow -- it's no fun having an emergency backup generator and a backup emergency backup generator when you don't get to use them once in a while. Stay warm!



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Oh look! Time to go shovel some more. Shall I have it sent to your place?

 [rekre8](#)

[February 7 2010, 19:15:26 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

Nope. Pen is still missing. I'll keep looking.

Missed you for the recipes and the startling wit and hey, just you.



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[February 7 2010, 19:55:57 UTC](#) [COLLAPSE](#)

I think it's under the Kleenex.

More recipes soon, I promise. I'm working on the perfect brownie.



[asciikitty](#)

[February 7 2010, 22:30:40 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

Oh god. I wonder what your The Perfect Brownie is like.

Because I do love me some brownies.

(Hey! Good to see you back. I think of you every time I do something strange in the kitchen, and it turns out ok.)

(Well, most recently I thought of you when I learned how to make sweet red bean paste from scratch. It turned out not to be hard as I thought it might. I mean, harder than opening a can, but if you've already got adzuki (sp?) beans...)

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